



FY2005 (7/1/05 – 6/30/06)

Annual Work Plan

Adams Conservation District

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Mission of the Adams Conservation District

- The Adams Conservation District promotes the enhancement of the natural environment and provides technical assistance to develop a positive relationship toward achieving that goal

Natural Resource Priorities and Goals:

- Maintain support for conservation equilibrium between the 4 WRJA areas within this conservation districts area of responsibilities.
- Odessa Aquifer water withdrawals are depleting the ground water resource-maintaining interaction with political agencies, public interest groups and local producers requires frequent interaction between three counties and area support organizations to identify corrective action solutions.
- AFO/CAFO issues continue to change process for local animal producers and this concept has resulted in numerous BMP's requiring both technical and financial support.
- Storm events continue to bring an awareness to the community of how sensitive the environment is to wind and water erosion characteristics requiring the establishment of priority areas in order to accomplish measurable environmental improvements.
- Cow Creek and Palouse River areas of the conservation district are under EPA 303d consideration and TMDL activities generally attributed to addressing corrective action brings a priority emphasis to addressing this area of concern.
- Through GWMA support activities such as Irrigation Water Monitoring, Deep Soil Sampling, Geographical Information Systems and well testing programs the district supports the four county program to identify nitrate in the ground water issues.

Information – Education Priorities and Goals:

- Providing a community action plan that involves the general public requires a program that targets various age groups which reaches the entire area of responsibility. For 2005-06 the following programs are scheduled:
 1. February each year provides an annual meeting with an election co hosted with WSU that generally brings over 100 local residents to learn of area conservation programs and recognizes many of the areas students through an award program.
 2. Flyers are distributed quarterly to identify interest areas the district may be prioritizing through conservation protection programs.Currently the primary focus is toward Cow Creek activities as water quality TMDL issues are within the planning horizon for the area.

3. A 5th grade field day is held in May of each year with invitations to all area schools to educate students about conservation related topics generally associated with the natural resource issues of the district. This program is supported by a wide range of community support groups.
4. One district supervisor has committed a portion of a farm for WSU research and the information gleaned from the study provides one research day held in June to the public which is generally attended by over 100 local interested cooperators.
5. The Wheatland Fair generally held Labor Day weekend offers an avenue for the district to present a public information display which informs the community of the various conservation activities that the district provides.
6. The regional FFA soil judging contest held about 2nd or 3rd week in October generally hosts over 200 students from all over the state in preparation for the state contest.
7. The state FFA contest is planned to be conducted last week in October or first week in November and will host students that have excelled in earlier regional contests held throughout various parts of eastern Washington.
8. A 6th grade essay contest is generally conducted in first week of December supported by NRCS technical assistance to offer students an opportunity to explore conservation as through grade school perception. This program has always offered unique challenges for the students. An award program recognizes the very best from each school combined with an award to recognize the best form all schools which participate. This function alone generally will bring in 40 additional participants to the annual meeting.
9. The GWMA program offers additional educational & information support activities.
10. Two WRIA planning programs (34 & 43) lead by other CD's provide additional educational opportunities for area residents.

District Operations Priorities, Goals & Funding Sources:

- A continuation of a long established program of providing conservation tillage equipment for enhancement of the various agriculture programs existing in the dry land-irrigation and range types of lands. Providing technical support to promote the various BMP projects generally associated with this farming area offers the participants an opportunity to explore optional tools for protecting our environment. Approximately \$316,000 to \$358,000 will be necessary to complete planned goals.
- By January 2006, a 3rd year of administrative experience will have been completed resulting in improved productivity in operations including accounting, grant vouchering, personnel management, Supervisor elections & appointments, training & development, annual planning and reporting
- ½ year remains with two DOE grants. One new CCW DOE grant contract submitted in March 2005 and one with one year remaining provides funding support through 2005. An additional award has been announced to begin in fall of 2005 plus the WCC implementation fund should again provide additional support after July 2005.
 1. Cow Creek BMP implementation-\$25,000 remaining
 2. Farm in Wind-\$40,000 remaining
 3. Palouse River Scoping-\$50,000 remaining
 4. Fecal Base Line Study-\$99,000 remaining
 5. Livestock grant \$1000 remaining
 6. Palouse Watershed riparian-\$135,000
 7. Palouse TMDL proposal-249,000 remaining
- One Terry Husseman grant has \$17,000 remaining for an implementation project that will expire 6/30/05.

- One WCC 04-271M project provides cost share support to conduct a variety of conservation BMP activities-this grant expires June 30th 2005. \$7,000 remaining. A new 05-07 proposal requests \$74,000 should be available by 7/1/05
- One combination WCC-EPA-DOE-EQIP Farm-in Wind grant program offers a cost share to cooperators for 6 counties participating in direct seed minimum tillage concepts. This project has annual support funds through 2007. Estimate \$18,000 for next year
- As a member of the GWMA program, limited funding will be available to some of our area participants for continued nitrate in the ground water investigations. The funding for this is dependant upon congressional support and is unknown at the time of this report as to specific dollar value. Estimate of \$15,000 for next year should be available for this district to support GWMA research BPA has recently committed dollars for IWM support which will be a new commitment not before received.
- Basic Funding goals have been met and this program provides approximately \$10,000 by August of 2005.

Program Area: Cow Creek & Palouse River Drainages WRIA 34

Goal(s): Cow Creek & Palouse River implementation requires "off site" water-fencing & riparian financial and technical support

Funding Source(s): A combination of three funding sources will be utilized--EQIP-DOE-WCC

Activities for FY2005

Enter the actions anticipated for FY2005 for this program area (expand or reduce rows as needed)

Activities for FY2005	Target Dates	Person Responsible	Time (Days) Required	Estimated Funding
Fencing				
John Harder	May 05	ACD	8 days	15,000
Kyle Harder	July 05	ACD	8 days	15,000
Kurtis Harder	Aug 05	ACD	8 days	15,000
Judy Harder	April 05	ACD	8 days	15,000
Bill Harder	June 05	ACD	8 days	15,000
Jacob Harder	Oct 05	ACD	8 days	15,000
Al Jones Palouse Well enclosure		Jones-EQIP	1 day	\$ 500
Rex Harder Sprague Lake Fencing	Nov 05	ACD-DOE	14 days	\$7,500
Al Jones Palouse Spring Development				
Al Jones Palouse Off site Water development #1	Oct05	ACD-NRCS	5 days	\$ 4,500
Tom Harder Cow Creek Stream enclosure	Jul 05	ACD-Jones	2 days	\$ 1,500
John Pearson Cow Creek Stream enclosure				
Off Site Water				
Al Jones Palouse Hydraulic Ram	Sept 05			

John Pearson Cow Creek Well (2)	April 05	WCC-ACD	20 days	\$15,000
Al Jones Palouse Off site #1				
Tom Harder Cow Creek Well				
Al Jones Palouse Spring Development	Oct 05	Pearson	4 days	\$ 3,500
Al Jones Well installation				
Clinesmith Cow Creek Trough Installation (2)				
Jake Harder Cow Creek Trough installation				
R. Hennings Off Site water (3)	Jul 05	ACD-Jones	2 days	\$ 1,800
Riparian				
Al Jones Turner Spring Stream planting	Sept 05	Pearson	10 days	\$ 6,500
C. Hennings Cow Creek plantings				
Tom Harder Cow Creek plantings	Aug 05	Jones-ACD	4 days	\$ 2,500
John Pearson Cow Creek plantings	July 05	J. Harder	5 days	\$ 4,000
Judy Harder Palouse Plantings	July 05	Jones-ACD	4 days	\$ 3,000
Stream Bank Protection				
Judy Harder Rock Armoring	July 05	Jones-EQIP	7 days	\$ 3,000
Information & Education				
Quarterly flyer publications	Nov 05	Clinesmith	10 days	\$ 6,000
WRIA watershed planning participation	Aug 05	Harder - DOE	5 days	\$ 1,500
Grant Administration				
WCC	Nov 05	ACD-DOE	4 days	\$ 3,000
DOE Cow Creek				
DOE Palouse Scoping	Nov 05	ACD-DOE	5 days	\$ 4,000
Terry Hussemen				
Water Quality Monitoring				
Flow Download	Sept 05	EQIP-DOE	10 days	\$1,200
Temperature Download				
pH-DO-N-P-K	Nov 05	ACD-DOE	3 days	\$2,200
EIM reporting	Nov 05	ACD-DOE	4 days	\$2,800
AFO/CAFO assistance				
Nutrient Management Plan	Feb 05	ACD-DOE	4 days	\$3,600
Dust Control Technical Assistance				
• Galbreath	Nov 05	ACD-DOE	4 days	\$2,800
Best Management Practices (Tillage)				
Direct Seed-Minimum Tillage	Nov 05	ACD-DOE	4 weeks	\$2,600
• Jones	Feb 05	ACD-DOE	10	\$8,400

• Hennings	Mar 05	ACD	4	\$ 4,000
	Qtrly	ACD	4	
	Monthly	ACD	4	\$3,200
	Quarterly	ACD	14 days	
	Quarterly		4 days	\$1200
			4 days	\$1200
			14days	\$1200
			8 days	\$1200
	Quarterly	ACD		\$4,200
	Dec 05	ACD		\$ 600
	Biweekly	ACD-DOE		\$ 600
	quarterly			\$ 600
	quarterly	ACD	8 days	\$ 900
	Biweekly	ACD		\$ 800
	Quarterly			\$4,500
	Aug 05	Jones		
	Mar 05	Hennings	2 days	\$ 800
	Apr 05		3 days	\$1,800

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